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## Discussion

### Next Step for Fukushima Daiichi Muon Tomography

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# FMT

- Specification of FMT
  - 18-feet (5.5-m) drift tube, 2-inch (5-cm) diameter
  - 108 tubes per layer
  - Unit layer = 2 layer (detection efficiency:  $0.96 \times 0.96 = 92\%$ )
  - 12 or 16 layer per module
    - 16 layers allows momentum analysis at 30% level.
  - 2 module per super module ( $5.5 \times 11 \text{ m}^2$ )
  - FMT = 2 super module



# Discussion 1

- Our standard calculation is based on:
  - Two 60 m<sup>2</sup> trackers (each super-module: 5.5 x 5.5 m<sup>2</sup> x 2)
  - 40-m apart
  - A few weeks to reveal the core, 3 – 4 months for detailed image.
- What is the adequate size for FMT?
  - Measurement time  $\propto$  (area 1) x (area 2) / (distance)
  - Sizes of 2 detectors can be different.
- How will FMT powered?
  - Around 10 kW (each super module)
- Is network connection available?
  - Fukushima Daiichi => LANL (20 MB/s)

# Drift Tube Test at LANSCE-PSR

Drift tubes less sensitive to  $\gamma$ -ray radiations. 1% efficiency at 1 MeV.

*c.f.* Scintillation detector (PMT): typically 20%.

A drift-tube detector tested in contaminated sections of LANSCE-PSR ( $\sim 5$  mSv/h).

Major source of the radiation was 835-keV  $\gamma$  ray from  $^{54}\text{Mn}$  electron-conversion decay.



The measured  $\gamma$ -ray background rate:

650 - 800 kHz for 1 mSv/h.

(Normalized for 18-foot tube of FMT.)

Demonstration of the  $\gamma$ -ray attenuation by a concrete shield of 15-cm thickness.

# Drift Tube Test at LANSCE-PSR

Single and coincidence measured at contaminated sections of LANSCE-PSR.

*Raw data. Measured counting rates for detector 1, and 1-and-(2a-or-2b). Detector 1 is top detector; 2a and 2b are bottom detectors.*

Radiation Level [mSv/h]	Top [Hz]	Coincidence [Hz]
0.005	1612	20
0.037	5374	163
0.06	7433	319
0.45	65255	19468

High rate at 0.45 mSv/h was caused by random coincidences:

$$\begin{aligned}
 r_{12} &= 2\tau \times r_1 \times r_2 \\
 &= 2 \times 1 \text{ } [\mu\text{s}] \times 65 \text{ [kHz]} \times 130 \text{ [kHz]} \\
 &= 17 \text{ kHz}
 \end{aligned}$$

*Normalized data for 18-foot tube and for 1 mSv/h .*

Radiation Level [mSv]	Top [kHz]	Coincidence [kHz]
0.005	1451	18
0.037	654	20
0.06	557	24
0.45	653	195



The coincidence is caused by:

- (1) penetration of Compton scattered electrons, and
- (2) scattered  $\gamma$  creating another Compton.

These coincidence event will be 20 kHz per 1 mSv/h.





# Drift-tube Test at Fukushima Daiichi

Access road (approx.)

TEPCO car



LANL cable (in plastic sleeve)

LANL detector  
(in plastic bag)

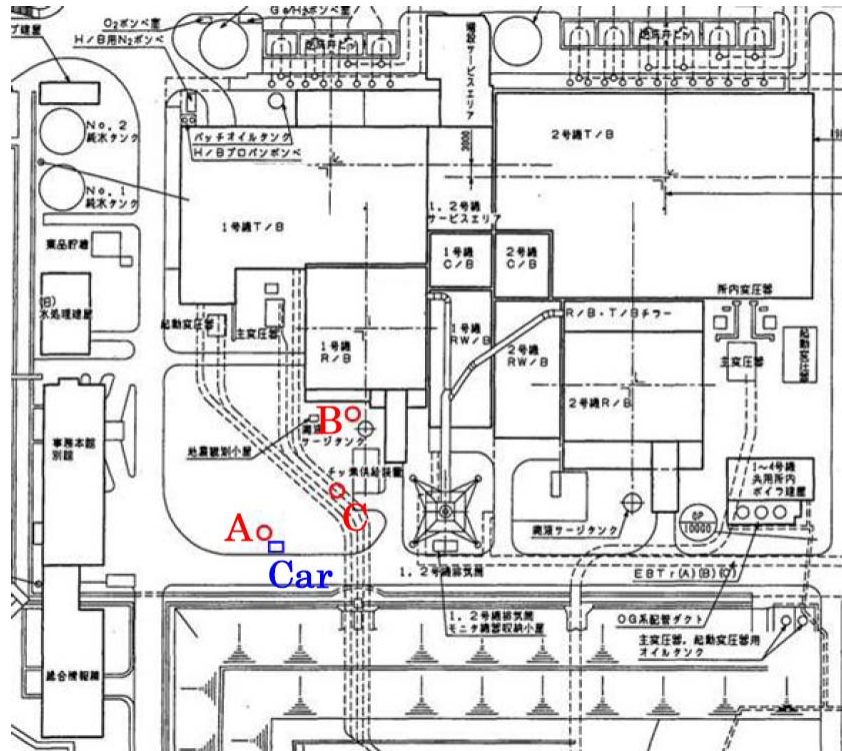


Fukushima Daiichi Reactor #1 Building Footprint



# Drift-tube Test at Fukushima Daiichi

- Drift-tube tests were performed by TEPCO near Reactor #1.
- The results were consistent with our measurements at LANSCE-PSR.





# Conclusion of Drift Tube Test

We estimated background rates of our 18-foot tubes (FMT).

- Expected background rate at Fukushima Daiichi is ~1 MHz per 1 mSv/h. Though most of the background can be removed by taking a 2-layer hardware coincidence, we would like to keep each tube under 6 kHz to prevent accidental coincidence.
- Reduce the  $\gamma$ -ray background by a factor of 170. 1000 should be safe enough.
- We estimated the radiation shield thickness required for FMT.

$$I = B I_0 \exp(-\mu x / \rho)$$

The buildup factors are calculated by several authors with Monte Carlo simulations.  
A. Shimizu *et al.*, *J. Nucl. Sci. and Tech.* 41 (2004) 413.

# Estimation of Background

To reduce the  $\gamma$ -ray from cesium by 3 orders of magnitude:

Concrete 0.6 m,  
Water 1.25 m, or  
Iron 0.175-m

are needed.

Attenuation of  $\gamma$  rays from  $^{134}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ , and their daughter nuclide by **concrete of 0.6-m thickness**. Shield effect:  $9.6 \times 10^{-4}$ .

E [keV]	B.R. [%]	$\lambda$ [cm]	Attenuation	B.F.	At x BR x BF
Cs134					
563	8.4	5.2	1.0E-05	34.7	2.9E-05
569	15.4	5.2	1.1E-05	33.2	5.4E-05
605	97.6	5.4	1.5E-05	31.6	4.5E-04
796	85.5	6.1	5.4E-05	25.3	1.2E-03
802	8.7	6.1	5.6E-05	25.2	1.2E-04
1,365	3	7.9	4.9E-04	14.7	2.2E-04
Cs137					
662	85.1	5.9	3.6E-05	27.2	8.4E-04

Attenuation of  $\gamma$  rays from  $^{134}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ , and their daughter nuclide by **water of 1.25-m thickness**. Shield effect:  $1.3 \times 10^{-3}$ .

E [keV]	B.R. [%]	$\lambda$ [cm]	Attenuation	B.F.	At x BR x BF
Cs134					
563	8.4	10.8	9.8E-06	43.1	3.5E-05
569	15.4	10.9	1.0E-05	53.3	8.5E-05
605	97.6	11.2	1.4E-05	48.8	6.8E-04
796	85.5	12.7	5.2E-05	34.6	1.5E-03
802	8.7	12.7	5.4E-05	34.2	1.6E-04
1,365	3	16.4	4.8E-04	19.3	2.8E-04
Cs137					
662	85.1	12.2	3.5E-05	38.9	1.2E-03

Attenuation of  $\gamma$  rays from  $^{134}\text{Cs}$ ,  $^{137}\text{Cs}$ , and their daughter nuclide by **iron of 0.175-m thickness**. Shield effect:  $1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ .

E [keV]	B.R. [%]	$\lambda$ [cm]	Attenuation	B.F.	At x BR x BF
Cs134					
563	8.4	1.6	1.6E-05	19.1	2.7E-05
569	15.4	1.6	1.7E-05	19.1	5.2E-05
605	97.6	1.6	2.5E-05	19.1	4.6E-04
796	85.5	1.9	9.3E-05	17.6	1.4E-03
802	8.7	1.9	9.6E-05	17.6	1.5E-04
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Cs137					
662	85.1	1.8	6.2E-05	18.1	9.5E-04

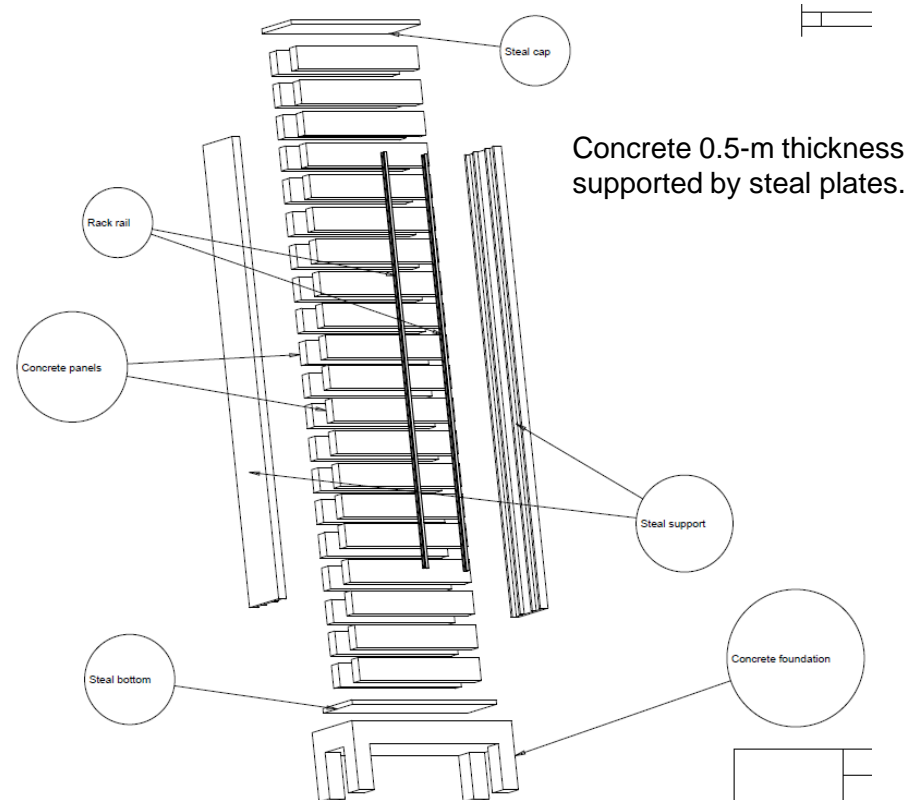
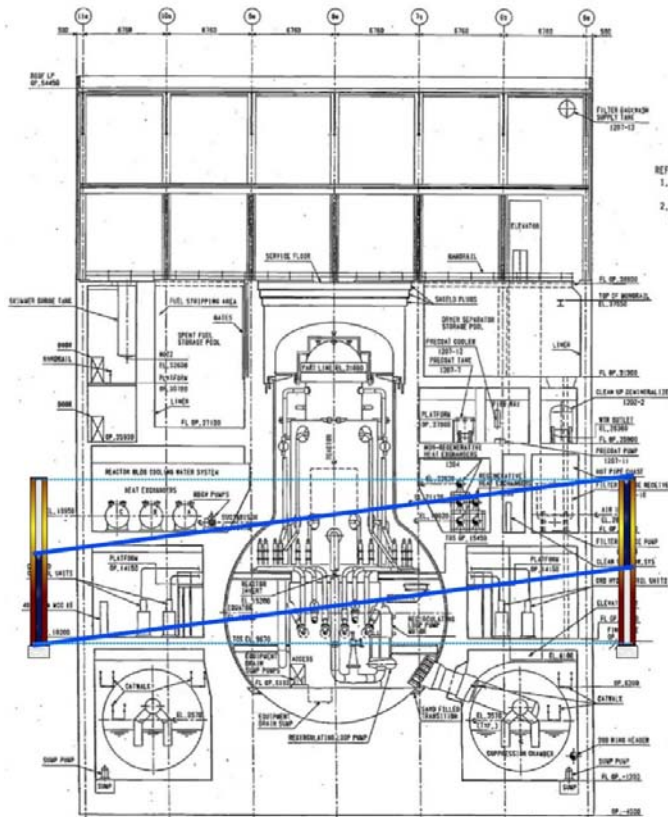
# Setup at Fukushima Daiichi

Two detectors sandwiching a reactor building.

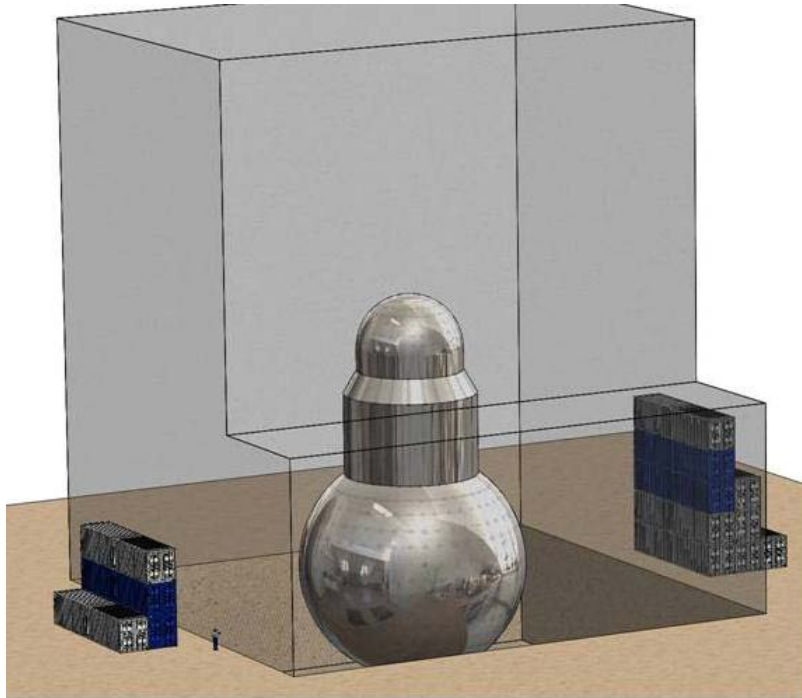
Detection area:  $5.5 \times 11 \text{ m}^2$ .

Detector height can be changed remotely inside the radiation shield:  $0 \sim 14.5 \text{ m}$ .

The shield design was verified by a Japanese construction office.



# Setup at Fukushima Daiichi



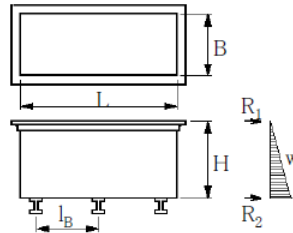
A standard shipping container will hold  
detectors and water tank radiation shields



RECTANGULAR TANKS

Eugene F. Megyesy "PRESSURE VESSEL HANDBOOK" Thirteenth Edition

material for plate and bottom plate	SA 283 C
material for stiffening frame	
material for bottom support	
design temperature	°C
G = specific gravity of liquid	1.0
B = width of tank	660 mm
H = height of tank	2315 mm
L = length of tank	5823 mm
l <sub>B</sub> = spacing of bottom support	mm
S = stress value of plate	108.248 MPa
E = modulus of elasticity for stiffening frame material	206842.7 MPa
S <sub>b</sub> = stress value of bottom support	108.248 MPa
c = corrosion allowance	0 mm
t <sub>a</sub> = actual plate thickness	30 mm
moment of inertia for top-edge stiffening	ANGLE 1-3/4 x 1-3/4 x 3/16 mm <sup>4</sup>
actual bottom plate thickness	30 mm
section modulus of bottom support	mm <sup>3</sup>
d = constant (density of water)	9.80665x10 <sup>-6</sup> N/mm
β = constant	0.056
Ratio, H/L	0.25 0.286 0.333 0.4 0.5 0.667
Constant, β	0.024 0.031 0.041 0.056 0.080 0.116
Ratio, H/L	1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0
Constant, β	0.16 0.26 0.34 0.38 0.43 0.47 0.49
t = required plate thickness = $L\sqrt{[\beta HdG/S]} + c$	19.96 mm
Design is acceptable	
w = load per unit of length = $dGH^2/2$	26.28 N/mm



Steal 3-cm thickness is required for the water tank.

- 8.8 ton x 2(empty) + side
- 17.6 ton x 2 (water loaded) + side

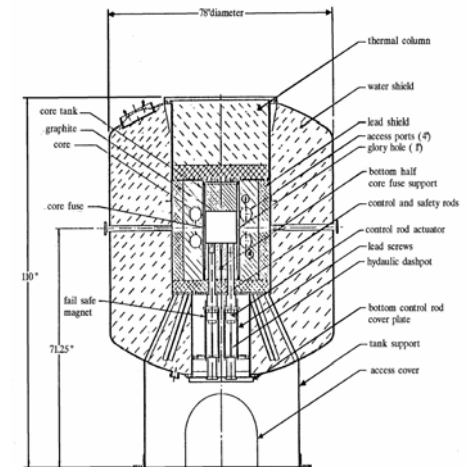
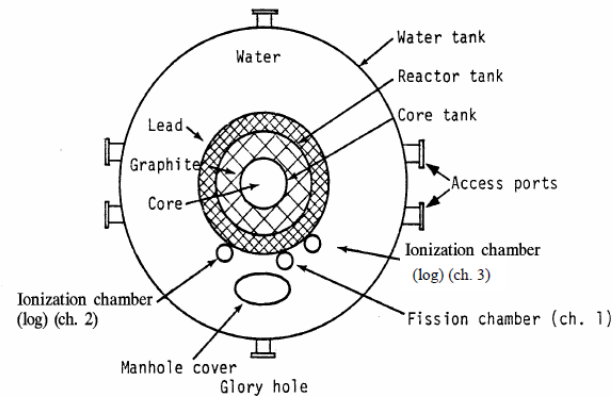
Special container needed.



# Discussion 2

- What should be our plan for radiation shield?
  - Concrete or water?
  - Installation method?
  - Japanese construction company available at Fukushima Daiichi?

# Demo at UNM Reactor



Core : 25.6-cm diameter by 24-cm high (nine fuel discs).

19.5% enriched  $\text{UO}_2$  powder embedded in radiation-stabilized polyethylene moderator. The amount of uranium in the core is 3.4 kg with average density of  $0.28 \text{ g/cm}^3$ .

The density of the uranium fuel is only 1/10 of Fukushima Daiichi reactors, and we do not expect to see the fuel clearly. However, we will see the structures of the reactor.

# Demo at UNM Reactor

By deploying MMT next to a research reactor, we will be able to measure the impact of low level radiation fields on muon tomography and reconstruction processes.

Radiation level during reactor operation is  $\sim 50 \mu\text{Sv/h}$  which provides similar radiation environment of inside the FMT radiation shield at Fukushima Daiichi.

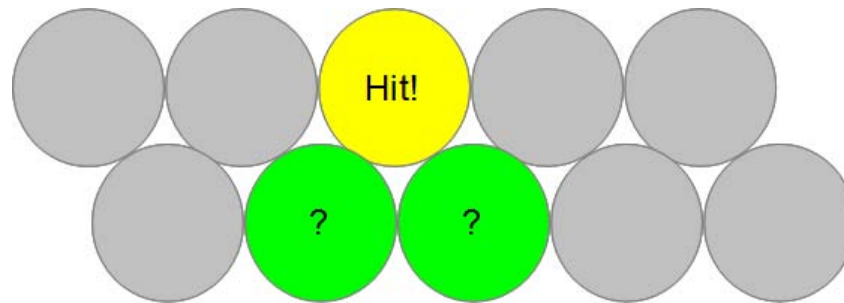
We will implement coincidence algorithm on the FPGA board.

# DAQ Improvement

Time-coincidence logic to our electronics to remove high  $\gamma$ -ray background.

The coincidence can be implemented with minor modifications to the existing FPGA code and can reduce most of the  $\gamma$ -ray events.

The new algorithm will be tested during the technical demonstration at UNM.



# SUKU

Test engineering issues of FMT

- System installation and readiness of testing process.
- Time synchronization of two modules (GPS).
- Remote operation. Data transfer from Fukushima Daiichi to LANL.

## SUKU

Two compact detectors each consisted of 24 tubes (2-inch diameter, 1-foot length, 6 tubes x 4 layers).

Initial engineering / operation tests of SUKU at LANL (Staging Area, TA-53).

Install SUKU at Fukushima Daiichi at possible installation points of FMT.

Goal: find any possible failure mode of the system and to establish the recovery method.

A 2-week measurement at Fukushima Daiichi will essentially demonstrate engineering / operational features of our technique so that the Japanese decision makers can support FMT installation with confidence.



# Discussion 3

- System test at Fukushima Daiichi?
  - Purpose of Suku is to demonstrate engineering / operational features of our technique so that the Japanese decision makers can support FMT installation with confidence.
  - Except for the radiation shield, other features can be tested at LANL.
- Alternative to Suku is to test drift tubes in a concrete shield at Fukushima Daiichi.
  - Detector test instead of system test.
  - Confirm shield thickness.



# Discussion 3

## Schedule?

### Stage 0 (completed)

- Technical demonstration with mockup reactor.
- Drift tube tests under high radiation.
- Radiation shield calculation.
- Simulation studies on reactor tomography.
- Development of reactor-imaging algorithm.
- Project plan.

### Stage 1 (August '12 – October '12)

- Technical demonstration with research reactor at University of New Mexico (UNM).
- DAQ improvement to remove  $\gamma$ -ray background.
- Detailed simulation on Fukushima Daiichi reactors.
- Detailed project plan and cost estimate.

### Stage 2 (September '12 – February '13 ?)

- Operation tests at Fukushima Daiichi with a small detector system.
- System optimization / software improvements.

# Discussion 3

Stage 3A (January '13 – April '13 ?)

- Design and manufacture radiation shields.
- Manufacture and test FMT.
- Final optimization of the system and software.

Stage 3B (July '13 – July '14 ?)

- Installation of FMT to Fukushima Daiichi.
- Image reactor #1 – 3.